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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 28, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- A powdery synthetic resin incompatible with the alkali-soluble resin may be added to the resin composition for formation of the resin film, in such a manner that the powdery synthetic resin is partially projected from a surface of the resin film. Dispersion of such powdery synthetic resin improves workability of the Al-coated steel sheet, so that the Al-coated steel sheet can be press-worked without application of a lubricant oil even to a part which is subjected to severe reformation. The effect of the powdery synthetic resin on workability is realized by addition at a ratio of 1 mass % or more on the basis of the resin composition. However, excessive addition of the powdery synthetic resin more than 25 mass % destabilizes suspension of the powdery synthetic resin in a treating liquid, and causes gelation of the powdery synthetic resin. In this consequence, a ratio of the powdery synthetic resin added to the resin composition is determined within a range of 1-25 mass % (preferably 3-20 mass %). --

